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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1901.

Weather forecast for Fredericksburg and vicinity:
Clear and colder Saturday.

IF WE read the proposed plan correctly, it has, in our judgment, omitted a very important point as to its effectiveness by failing to state that a definite time shall elapse between the day for holding the primary and calling the same. This is provided for in the case of choosing a United States Senator, but not so with State elective officers or members of Congress. Our idea is that a definite "snap judgment" is needed.

If, as our contemporary says, this important item was left out it is a very dangerous omission. It may be significant that United States Senators were not forgotten while the other officers were, for the Senatorial toga has appeared all along to be the target for the primary advocates. It does seem to us that the zeal exhibited by these people has oversteered the mark. The plan proposed is one that must fall of its own weight. We do not see how it can well be put into operation. The labor and desires of the original advocates must surely be foiled. Their first and only aim was the seat of the U. S. Senate, but the people have plainly told them they must take the whole dose, and it is the dose that will lay them out. To accomplish their desires they told the people that they were in favor of every officer's being selected by the people, but when it came down to carrying out their promises some of them balked. The principle is a good one, and the FREE LANCE would be glad to see it put into successful operation, but it fears that this cannot be done. Still, we have no patience or sympathy with the blatant advocates that originated the cry for the sake of office. There was no sincerity in them, and they will be found hovering around the carcass when the time comes for serving out the two Senatorships.

WE ARE told that the hanging of Cicero Harris, a negro, at Bristol last week is the cause of the dangerous illness of Mrs. Theresa L. Duane, an estimable lady of Pulaski, who for years has been a friend and neighbor of Governor Tyler. Harris was once the devoted servant in the home of Mrs. Duane. When he was convicted of murder and sentenced to be hanged, his old mistress believed with all her heart that he had been unjustly treated and did not merit death. From the day sentence was passed on the man Mrs. Duane has been beseeching Governor Tyler to pardon him or commute his punishment to life imprisonment. Mrs. Duane so exercised herself that she broke down completely. She bordered on extreme nervous prostration. The Governor was wired to, beseeching that he would save the old negro's neck, but the Executive, who had spent many wakeful hours over the case, could not see that his duty lay that way. The consequence was that old Cicero had to hang and his old mistress was prostrated by the shock. What an object lesson to the revilers of the South! No such example of tender solicitude happening North of Mason and Dixon's line has ever been given the public. And yet there are those who will say that there was no sentimental tie between master and slave. The present instance, a generation since freedom, is an illustration of the rule rather than the exception of what existed in slavery days.

ONR vital mistake the Constitutional Convention has made all along in considering the suffrage question is the apparently fixed opinion that the business of the body is to take care of the Democratic Party. The truth is the Convention was called to act for the people of Virginia, regardless of party. If it will establish a white electorate and provide for honest elections its work will be completed. The Democratic party can take care of itself with such an electorate. It is not willing to submit its policies and records to the judgment of the majority of the white people of the State, it has no excuse for further existence and the sooner it goes out of business the better. —Richmond News.

This is pretty true speech for a Democratic paper, but the gist of it is solid facts. The News is wrong, however, in intimating that the Convention was called to fix the suffrage alone. To a large portion of the people—and Democrats at that—the suffrage appeals only in a secondary light. They want a better and more economical system of State government first; and after that a revision of the suffrage. Honest elections should be a prime consideration, though; and the truth is that but for the hope of purer elections the best thinking Democrats would not care a penny about a new suffrage clause. The negro does not scare them. The Democratic party seems plenty able to take care of itself, with or without the negro. The News touches a point that is becoming more patent every day, namely: The Constitutional Convention is as check full of politics as an egg is of meat—and the worst sort of politics at that, factional politics.

"The season for big game in Maine, which closed on Saturday," remarks the Boston Post, "is said to be the greatest ever known. Figuring on the number of 4,000 deer and 170 moose shipped by express to Bangor, it is estimated that the slaughter, both legal and illegal, must be about 20,000 animals." The paper says that to the slaughter must be added nine men killed and thirty wounded by these kid-glove sportsmen. There were about four thousand hunters, all told, in the woods this season, and the result shows the victims to be one per cent.—not a bad record for shots for these chappies. Certainly they showed up as well as the armies of to-day in battle do.

SENATOR FRYE wants us to invite Kholongkong, king of Siam, to this country. His cousin, John Barkhorn, has just made us a sweeping visit, and we do not think it well to have too much of the family at one time. The Senator will please postpone indefinitely the proposed invitation.

NORFOLK people hint that the Nell Croysey case is like a certain Richmond city case—the family are not anxious to find out the truth. They think that in Baltimore, or some city known to the family, the miss could be found if badly wanted. Maybe so, and maybe not.

FORAKER has named Roosevelt for President in 1904. The jig's up!—Fredericksburg Free Lance.

Roosevelt's up, you mean, don't you?—Richmond Dispatch.

No; just at present he must be down—down in the month—to learn of it. Later he will go up—up Salt River—if Foraker handles his case.

Why don't they send Funston after Miss Stone?

CHRISTMAS NIGHT AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

The President in a Cak' Walk.

The Virginia reel and cakewalk in the East Room of the White House Christmas night, in all its acrobatic and social splendor, was the chief topic of social Washington.

Mrs. Roosevelt and the other ladies in the party were almost hysterical over the antics of the President, who entered the dance with all his accustomed spirit. The President, dressed in side-step and "cak' walk" while the little Roosevelt boys gave vent to howls of merriment.

For 30 minutes the reel was danced. Then the orchestra struck up "There's a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight," and someone started cakewalk. The President chose a partner and led the cakewalk down the long East Room, executing fancy, back and wing step.

After a few minutes "There's a Hot Time" the orchestra began playing "Whistling Rufus" in cakewalk time, and the entire party joined in the contest.

U. S. Grand and Petit Juries.

The following are among those who have been drawn for the grand and petit juries to serve at the next term of the Federal court at Alexandria on January 15th:

Petit Jury—John H. Rosier, Caret, Samuel Deane, Culpeper, J. T. Weaver, Weavers, S. B. Hardwick, Kingsley, Benjamin Deane, Fairfax county, W. A. Mitchell, Manzikoff, W. E. Bondie, Manquin, G. M. Goodwin, Prince William county, H. W. Eamich, Lovellsville, John Walker, Culpeper county, W. E. Terrell, Ashburn Mills, J. M. Daniel, Fauquier county, A. B. Dowell, Leesburg, William Warren, Hicks' Store, Western Bristow, Stormont, H. B. Cameron, Beaton, Joseph Levy, Manassas, W. E. Guthridge, Leesburg.

Grand Jury—G. W. Smith, Jr., Haymarket, W. J. Butner, Fredericksburg, John Williams, Woodville, J. C. Alexander, Venter, E. Grigsby, King George county, Joseph R. Kohn, Hudson Mill, J. M. Pratt, Beaton, E. E. Oliver, Kenmore, A. W. Kube, Rhodesville, Thomas F. Morrison, Fredericksburg, H. C. Edmonds, True Blue, George A. Walker, Fredericksburg, Dr. F. O. Mookler, Manzikoff, John R. Smith, Purcellville, Thomas K. Keith, Fairfax County, W. A. J. Robinson, Harmony Village, C. R. Colvin, Hudson Mill, Dallas Farr, Loudoun county.

Shooting in Essex County.

Christmas morning, at Texas in Essex county, a difficulty arose between Joseph Dunn and Joseph Ramsay, in which Dunn was shot in the stomach by Ramsay, and died a few hours later. Ramsay was slightly hurt in the encounter. Dunn was 27 years old and Ramsay is about 30. Dunn was born in Essex county, and Ramsay went to the county about two years ago and settled there. Ramsay is now in jail. He claims that the shooting was accidental.

Ramsay has been sent on to the grand jury, which meets the third Monday in January.

How to Cure Croup.

Mr. R. Gray, who lives near Anemia, Duchess county, N. Y., says: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best medicine I have ever used. It is a fine children's remedy for croup and never fails to cure." When given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croupy cough has developed, it will prevent the attack. This should be borne in mind and a bottle of the Cough Remedy kept at hand ready for instant use as soon as these symptoms appear. For sale by M. M. Lewis.

For a Long Pull And a Strong Pull.

(Washington Times.)

So far no cloud of depression has appeared on the horizon of American industry, not even one as small as a man's hand. In constantly working together for the country's good lies the continuance of this glorious state of affairs. Up on the note struck by the President's message today there is a great part of the movement of the immediate future forward or backward.

President Shooting Ducks.

The dispatch boat Dolphin, with the President and party on board, anchored off Quantico in the Potomac river Thursday afternoon. The party was conveyed to Quantico by the Dolphin, the Metropolitan Club, where they occupied the club room Thursday night.

The feeding grounds of the ducks have been carefully looked after and with the weather it is thought the President's fine sport shooting ducks during his stay.

Orange Court.

The only one entered at Orange Court Monday was that of H. C. Woodville to appear at next court and qualify as guardian to his children. A very small crowd was present. Only three business men took the city attorney. They were Messrs. A. W. Embury, James W. Musselman and R. L. Biscoe.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Lavative Broom Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's Signature is on each box. 25c.

VIRGINIA NEWS

For the first time in 40 years Virginia bonds are now above par, with over \$800,000 in the Treasury.

Dr. John W. Bowdoin, of Accomac county, is spoken of as a possible candidate for president of the board of fisheries.

Pensions issued in Washington: Sarah Whiten, mother, Leesburg, \$12; Penelope A. Ames, Sandy Bottom, \$8; Winfield S. Bruce, Sperryville, \$12.

Miss Mary Curtis Lee, recently elected president of the Home for Neglected Women, in Richmond city, has made a handsome contribution to the home.

At a colored festival near Rhodessville, in Orange, on Saturday last, an altercation between Randolph Thompson and Levery Carter, the latter was seriously shot in the right breast by Thompson.

Mrs. E. W. Gates, who recently died in Richmond, left all her jewels to Richmond College, to be sold, the proceeds to go into the endowment fund. It is said the jewels are worth a considerable sum.

Rev. E. W. Cowling, of Essex county, had the misfortune to lose his stable, hay, and horse by fire recently. The flames are supposed to have been caused by a spontaneous combustion in the hay, which was tightly packed in the loft of the stable.

The military board of the State has finished up the affairs of Gov. Tyler's administration as commander-in-chief. There is about \$5,100 in the treasury to the credit of the military fund. Which allows about \$3 per man.

No steps have been taken by Commonwealth's Attorney Washington in the Oak Grove tragedy. He is still considering the matter. Thompson and Douglas have not yet been arrested. It is said that Douglas has left Westmoreland.

GENERAL NEWS.

The government wants blacksmiths and horse-shoers for duty in the Philippines at \$75 per month.

There are now thirty-nine best-sugar factories in successful operation in this country, the State of Michigan leading with twelve.

The negotiations between the Governments of the United States and Denmark for the cession of the Danish West Indies are still dragging.

The Filipino general, Samson, and all the other insurgent chiefs on the island of Bohol have surrendered with twenty-eight cannon and forty-five guns.

Gov. W. Murray Crane, of Massachusetts, having declined the President's offer of the Treasury portfolio, Gov. Leslie M. Shaw, of Iowa, has been named and has accepted.

The Treasury Department has drawn a warrant in favor of Rear-Admiral W. S. Schley for \$3,335.45, the last balance due him for the destruction of the Spanish fleet at Santiago July 3, 1898.

The Baltimore News says: No wireless communication could be made by the Federal Government than that which would be directed to the acquisition, as national reserves, of areas specially marked out as objects of national interest and value.

Chicago today is a city of nearly 2,000,000 inhabitants. This means that within the borders of the municipality are more people than live in either the State of Georgia or Minnesota, or New Jersey, or Virginia or Wisconsin. It means that there are gathered together more people than occupy Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Delaware, Idaho, Maine and Oregon combined. Greater New York is about twice the size of Chicago.

Saved His Life.

"I wish to say that I feel I owe my life to Kodol Dyspepsia Cure," writes H. C. Christensen of Hayfield, Minn., "for some years I was troubled with dyspepsia so that I could hold nothing on my stomach. Many times I would be unable to retain a morsel of food. Finally I was confined to my bed. Doctors said I could not live. I read one of your advertisements on Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and thought it fit my case and commenced its use. I began to improve from the first bottle. Now I am cured and recommend it to all." Digest your food. Cures all stomach troubles. Bowman and King.

MARRIAGES.

Rev. J. W. Smith and Miss Annie Low Edwards, daughter of Rev. W. E. Edwards, of Randolph-Macon College, were married in Ashland, Thursday night. The groom is a teacher at Bethel Military Academy, Fauquier county.

Licensed in Baltimore to marry: James Plaskett and Helen Pauline Coleman, both of Fairfax county. John R. Muir and Lucy A. Haynie, both of Northern Neck county. Randolph Small, Mathews Courthouse, and Lou Hunter Hall, George S. Mason, of Accomac county, and Annie Roberts Doughty.

Licensed in Washington to marry: Philip Smith and Anna Tumbler, both of Fairfax county. Malcolm K. Putnam and Elizabeth H. Mayhew, both of Fauquier county. Walter F. Honesty and Anna V. Murray, of Culpeper county. William H. Culvert and Bettie Florence, both of Prince William county. Charles E. Brown, of Bedford county. Bessie Downing, of Fauquier county. Oliver E. Grant, of Loudoun county. Julia Brown, of James Washington and Emma Elizabeth Johnson, both of Fairfax county.

For Over Fifty Years.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pains, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind.

POLITICAL.

Politicians are said to be alarmed at the possibility that Admiral Schley may become a factor in politics.

Southern Republican members of Congress will have the support of some Northern Congressmen in opposing any movement to reduce the South's representation.

Mr. Treat Not Alarmed.

U. S. Marshal Morgan Treat is not alarmed at the report that Mr. Tierney, of Norfolk, is a candidate for the marshalship upon the expiration of Mr. Treat's present term.

NORTHUMBERLAND.

May Pires, Dean of a Promising Youth—The Late Mrs. Robert M. Mayo, Fishing and Oyster Notes, Etc., Etc.

(Correspondence of THE FREE LANCE.)

Heathsville, Va., Dec. 24, 1901.

The approach of Christmas here is marked by a good deal of coming and going. Among those who have gone away for the holidays are Mrs. A. S. Rice and the Misses Anna Shirley, LeBlond and Jennie Bennett. They all propose spending the festive season in Baltimore. Miss Mabel Blanton, Miss Elise Smith, Hugh Smith, Warren Rowe, Menie Brent and Willie Hale are among the students who have returned to enjoy Christmas at home.

The Rev. T. J. Wray was summoned to Oak Grove yesterday to officiate at the funeral services of J. Q. Stiff, the last victim of the terrible tragedy in Westmoreland.

Each week of late has been signalized by a fire. Two weeks ago a house that had been newly repaired and occupied by Mr. McGuire, a tenant of Capt. Luther Hendley, was burned, with considerable loss to both the owner and the occupant. A week ago a colored man—Middleton—near Conn Church, lost his house and nearly its entire contents. The latest calamity of the kind occurred in Hull's Neck last night, when Mr. Cornelius Lowrey had his dwelling burned with the saving of scarcely any thing that was in it. These distressing occurrences may not "adorn a tale," but they do "point a moral."

Considerable activity has existed in this part of the world in the matter of church building of late. An Episcopal Methodist church is nearing completion in lower Lancaster. The Carrottman Baptist church in the same county have resolved to arise and rebuild their sanctuary. The Baptist church in this county are building a new edifice. The Fairport Baptist church are planning a similar move, and the Liberty Methodist Protestant church, near Rossville, are engaged in a like undertaking.

The usual quota of entertainments under church or Sunday-School auspices, is announced for the holidays, and the prospect is that various and sundry young gallants will be "on the borrow" for the above occasions. It is a fortunate circumstance for the horses, perhaps, that the pursued young gallants often drive slowly.

The forecast fishing season having closed the hard worked fishermen are now for the most enjoying a well earned rest with their families, and looking after matters at home that fell into neglect while they were away making their nets. The past season in the fishing business was generally so prosperous that increased capital will be invested, and one or more new factories started when the fish come again. Sleaze, Fallow, Snow and Crowder, Bros., of this vicinity will make a venture in this industry, and add at least one more steamer to the already imposing fleet.

Mr. Howard left, living across the creek, and on Saturday last, promising son, Howard, on Friday last. The funeral services were held in the Methodist Episcopal church on Sunday afternoon, the building being beautifully draped and the public demonstration of sorrow and sympathy being most touching. The deceased was a grandson of Thomas Jeff, a gallant veteran of the 10th Va. Cavalry. He was about 13 years of age and a most engaging and popular young man.

The "practical cry of bloody oysters" has been raised again, and in this case applied to certain shipments from the lower Potomac. In a conversation on yesterday with an experienced oysterman who has spent a lifetime in handling oysters he remarked that he had never seen a bloody one. With certain innocent redish streaks on the oyster he had all along been familiar, but the cry had seemed one of the tricks of trade intended to impose upon the credulous.

I had intended mentioning in this correspondence the death in Baltimore a few weeks since of Mrs. Lucy H. May, relict of the late Col. M. Mayo of Westmoreland. She was a daughter of the late Col. R. A. Claybrook, and was born near this place a little over sixty years ago. Many of her early friends here remember her youthful beauty and charms, and rejoice to hear of her death. She was a woman who made her an ornament and honor to the county of her birth and that of her adoption. Well may I say of her: "Friend of my early days, None knew thee but to love thee, None named thee but to love thee."

G. W. B.

AN EVANGELIST'S STORY.

"I suffered for years with a bronchial or lung trouble and tried various remedies but did not obtain permanent relief until I commenced using One Minute Cough Cure," writes Rev. James Kirk, an evangelist of the River II. "I have no hesitation in recommending it to all sufferers from maladies of this kind." One Minute Cough Cure affords immediate relief for coughs, colds and all kinds of throat and lung troubles. For prompt it is unequalled. Absolutely safe. Very pleasant to take, never fails and is really a favorite with the children. They like it. Bowman and King.

PRETTY ORANGE COUNTY MARRIAGE.

Whiteacre—Whiteacre.

New Hope Baptist Church, of this county, was the scene of a very pretty marriage last Monday evening, the contracting couple being Miss Mary M. Whitshire, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Whitshire, and Mr. Walter F. Whitshire. In spite of the inclement weather a very large crowd assembled.

The church was beautifully decorated with white and red flowers. The bride wore a white and red gown. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. M. Bendles, pastor of the church, performed the ceremony. The bride was becomingly gowned in French flannel with white satin and braid trimmings. After the ceremony they returned to the home of the bride. The presents were many and useful.

If you would have an appetite like a bear and a relish for your meals take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They correct disorders of the stomach and regulate the liver and bowels. Price 25 cents. Samples free at M. M. Lewis's drug store.

Health and Beauty.

A poor complexion is usually the result of a torpid liver or irregular action of the bowels. Unless nature's refuse is carried off it will surely cause impure blood. Pimples, boils and other eruptions follow. This is nature's method of throwing off the poisons which the bowels failed to remove. Dr. Witt's Little Early Risers are world famous for remedying this condition. They stimulate the liver and promote regular and healthy action of the bowels but never cause griping, cramps or distress. Safe pills. Bowman and King.

General Hardware.

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CHRISTMAS GIFTS

— TO SELECT FROM AT —

THE T. N. BRENT STORE.

It is often difficult to decide what to select, and we name a few articles to help you out. We name Umbrellas first because everyone has use for them and because we have an exceptional line for men and ladies from 50c to \$7.50 each. You know that some of the ladies like Bows. We have Chiffon Bows from 50c to \$4.50 each, Fur Bows from \$1 to \$10. You know people travel more now than ever. Our Trunk line is very strong, and everybody wants a good Trunk, Suit Case, Coat Case or Satchel. Times are good, and we hope everybody will have use for a Pocket book. A nice line to select from. Every man and boy, and most of the girls, want a pretty Neck-Tie. You know ladies never have too many Kid Gloves and Handkerchiefs. Every servant will expect a nice Apron. The boys want new Suits and Overcoats. Very few ladies would get angry if their husbands gave them a handsome Silk Dress, fine Wrap or one of our stylish Hats. Every child must have a pair of new Stockings to hang up. Even the doll babies will have to have new Hats. We are prepared to supply all similar wants, to say nothing about the thousand and one useful article just as appropriate for presents. Come and look over this stock.

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We still have a stock of \$3,500 or \$3,000 left, and this must be sold out in the next three weeks, as the contractors are now at work on the house and say we must move out in the next few weeks. We mean to sell these goods if prices will do it, so it will pay you to see what we have, as we promise to sell you any of the Perry stock at less than it cost. We still have a good line of Ladies' Oxford Ties, and it will pay you to buy them and keep them until next spring. We also have a good stock of children's shoes, ladies' and gent's Underwear, about 50 men's Suits of Clothing, etc. We most positively tell you these goods must be sold, and you cannot afford to overlook this opportunity of saving money. Come quick.

Baker, Brown & Crismond,

PERRY & CO'S OLD STAND.

Winter Schedule.

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This has been our banner year and we have done more business than ever before. We have the confidence of the people, and a proof of it is the increase of our trade. "Pure goods, honest value and full measure are the essence of it." Our stock is the largest, purest and best selected in the State, and we can satisfy the wants of everybody.

Our Candies are at \$3.00 in the finest medical whiskey on the market. Farmer's Delight, Tenderloin Rye, Kentucky Club Rye, King of Kentucky Rye, White Rye and Old one Rye, all at \$2.00 per gallon, have no equal. Blue Ribbon, \$1.90, Apple Blossom, \$1.75, Choice Rye, \$1.50, and Golden Star, 1.20 per gal. Apple Brandies, \$2.00 and \$3.00, Peach, Blackberry, California, French and ginger brandies, Kidney Gta, New England and Jamaica Rum, Wines and Beers.

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for your patronage during the past year. Hoping you have spent

A PLEASANT XMAS

and wishing you a prosperous and

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The Grand Wind-Up